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Annotations

1. Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee

In accordance with rule 14 of the rules of procedure, new members of the Committee shall make the following solemn declaration:

"I solemnly declare that I will perform my duties and exercise my powers as a member of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities honourably, faithfully, impartially and conscientiously."

2. Election of the Chair and other officers of the Committee

In accordance with rule 15 of its rules of procedure, the Committee shall elect from among its members a Chair, three Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur. In accordance with rules 16 and 17, the officers of the Committee shall be elected for a term of two years and elections shall be held by secret ballot, unless the Committee decides otherwise in the case of an election to fill a place for which there is only one candidate.

3. Adoption of the agenda

Under rule 9 of the Committee's rules of procedure, the first item on the agenda of any session shall be the adoption of the agenda, unless the election of officers is required under rule 20. In accordance with rule 10, the Committee may revise the agenda during a session and may, as appropriate, add, defer or delete items.

The provisional agenda for the seventeenth session was prepared by the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, pursuant to rule 8 of the rules of procedure.

4. Organizational matters

The seventeenth session of the Committee will be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva, in Room XVII at the Palais des Nations, from 20 March to 12 April 2017. The 1st meeting of the session will be convened on Monday, 20 March, at 3 p.m. A representative of the Secretary-General will open the session.

Pursuant to rule 29 of the rules of procedure, the meetings of the Committee shall be held in public, unless otherwise decided by the Committee.

The Committee will consider matters concerning the organization of the seventeenth session, in particular the adoption of its programme of work, a draft of which is contained in the annex.

5. Report of the Chair on activities undertaken between the sixteenth and seventeenth sessions of the Committee

The Committee will consider the report of the Chair on activities undertaken between the sixteenth and seventeenth sessions.

6. Submission of reports by parties to the Convention under article 35

The Committee will be updated on the reports received from parties to the Convention under article 35. As at the time of issuance of the present provisional agenda, the following initial reports had been received and were pending consideration by the Committee:

Party	*Due*	*Date received*	*Symbol*
Albania	2015	4 December 2015	CRPD/C/ALB/1
Algeria	2012	5 January 2015	CRPD/C/DZA/1
Armenia	2012	21 January 2013	CRPD/C/ARM/1
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2012	5 March 2013	CRPD/C/BIH/1
Bulgaria	2014	23 July 2014	CRPD/C/BGR/1
Canada	2014	11 February 2014	CRPD/C/CAN/1
Cuba	2009	19 September 2014	CRPD/C/CUB/1
Cyprus	2013	2 August 2013	CRPD/C/CYP/1
Djibouti	2014	2 February 2016	CRPD/C/DJI/1
Estonia	2015	4 December 2015	CRPD/C/EST/1
France	2012	18 May 2016	CRPD/C/FRA/1
Georgia	2016	19 July 2016	CRPD/C/GEO/1
Greece	2015	27 September 2015	CRPD/C/GRC/1
Haiti	2011	20 March 2014	CRPD/C/HTI/1
Honduras	2010	31 December 2013	CRPD/C/HND/1
India	2009	30 October 2015	CRPD/C/IND/1
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2011	20 December 2013	CRPD/C/IRN/1
Iraq	2015	17 August 2015	CRPD/C/IRQ/1
Japan	2016	30 June 2016	CRPD/C/JPN/1
Jordan	2010	3 October 2012	CRPD/C/JOR/1
Kuwait	2015	24 September 2015	CRPD/C/KWT/1
Lao People's Democratic Republic	2011	25 May 2016	CRPD/C/LAO/1
Latvia	2012	3 April 2014	CRPD/C/LVA/1
Luxembourg	2013	4 March 2014	CRPD/C/LUX/1
Malta	2014	10 November 2014	CRPD/C/MLT/1
Montenegro	2011	13 March 2014	CRPD/C/MNE/1
Morocco	2011	17 March 2014	CRPD/C/MAR/1
Myanmar	2014	19 November 2014	CRPD/C/MMR/1
Nepal	2012	29 August 2014	CRPD/C/NPL/1
Nicaragua	2010	27 February 2015	CRPD/C/NIC/1
Niger	2010	13 August 2015	CRPD/C/NER/1
Norway	2015	1 June 2015	CRPD/C/NOR/1

Party	*Due*	*Date received*	*Symbol*
Oman	2011	1 September 2014	CRPD/C/OMN/1
Panama	2009	26 June 2014	CRPD/C/PAN/1
Philippines	2010	24 November 2014	CRPD/C/PHL/1
Poland	2014	24 September 2014	CRPD/C/POL/1
Republic of Moldova	2012	15 January 2013	CRPD/C/MDA/1
Russian Federation	2014	9 September 2014	CRPD/C/RUS/1
Rwanda	2011	22 April 2015	CRPD/C/RWA/1
Saudi Arabia	2010	1 July 2015	CRPD/C/SAU/1
Senegal	2012	18 March 2015	CRPD/C/SEN/1
Seychelles	2011	18 September 2014	CRPD/C/SYC/1
Singapore	2015	13 July 2016	CRPD/C/SGP/1
Slovenia	2010	18 July 2014	CRPD/C/SLV/1
South Africa	2009	26 November 2014	CRPD/C/ZAF/1
Sudan	2011	1 September 2014	CRPD/C/SDN/1
Switzerland	2016	7 July 2016	CRPD/C/CHE/1
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	2014	3 October 2014	CRPD/C/MKD/1
Turkey	2011	3 August 2015	CRPD/C/TUR/1
Turkmenistan	2010	5 December 2011	CRPD/C/TKM/1
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	2011	24 November 2011	CRPD/C/GBR/1
Vanuatu	2010	13 August 2015	CRPD/C/VUT/1
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2015	2 November 2015	CRPD/C/VEN/1

7. Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35

At its seventeenth session, the Committee will consider the initial reports of Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Cyprus, Honduras, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan and the Republic of Moldova.

In pursuance of established practice and in conformity with rule 41 of the rules of procedure, the Secretary-General has informed the parties concerned of the tentative dates on which their reports have been scheduled for consideration by the Committee. A schedule for the consideration of reports submitted is set forth in the tentative programme of work annexed hereto.

8. Adoption of lists of issues concerning reports of parties to the Convention

The Committee will adopt lists of issues on initial reports.

9. Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies

The Committee will discuss how to strengthen cooperation with United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, non-governmental organizations, including organizations of persons with disabilities, and other competent bodies in order to enhance the promotion and protection of the rights of persons with disabilities. Representatives of such organizations and bodies may seek to address the Committee.

10. General comments

The Committee will review the progress made by the working group on the right to live independently and to be included in the community, established to draft a general comment on article 19.

11. Methods of work of the Committee

The Committee will consider its methods of work

12. Future meetings

The Committee will be informed of any developments relating to its future meetings. It will also consider the organization of its future work.

13. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system

The Committee will consider the implementation of General Assembly resolution 68/268 on strengthening and enhancing the effective functioning of the human rights treaty body system.

14. Activities under the Optional Protocol to the Convention

The Committee will consider the complaints submitted under the Optional Protocol to the Convention and the conduct of inquiries.

15. Adoption of the report on the seventeenth session

Pursuant to rule 38 bis of its rules of procedure, the Committee may consider and adopt the report on its seventeenth session.

16. Adoption of the biennial report (2015-2016) to the General Assembly and to the Economic and Social Council

Under this item, the Committee will adopt its biennial report to the General Assembly and to the Economic and Social Council.

Annex

Tentative programme of work

Week 1			
Monday, 20 March 2017	298th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 1	Solemn declaration by the newly elected members of the Committee
		Item 2	Election of the Chair and other officers of the Committee
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Tuesday, 21 March 2017	299th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 9	Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies
	300th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Republic of Moldova
Wednesday, 22 March 2017	301st meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Republic of Moldova
	302nd meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Islamic Republic of Iran
Thursday, 23 March 2017	303rd meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Islamic Republic of Iran
	304th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Cyprus
Friday, 24 March 2017	305th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Cyprus
	306th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 14	Activities under the Optional Protocol to the Convention: communications

Week 2			
Monday, 27 March 2017	307th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 9	Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies
	308th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Bosnia and Herzegovina
Tuesday, 28 March 2017	309th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Bosnia and Herzegovina
	310th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Jordan
Wednesday, 29 March 2017	311th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Jordan
	312th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Armenia
Thursday, 30 March 2017	313th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Armenia
	314th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Honduras
Friday, 31 March 2017	315th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Honduras
	316th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 8	Adoption of lists of issues concerning reports of parties to the Convention
		Item 10	General comments
Week 3			
Monday, 3 April 2017	317th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 9	Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies
	318th meeting 3 p.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Canada
Tuesday, 4 April 2017	319th meeting 10 a.m. (public)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: Canada
	320th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
Wednesday, 5 April 2017	321st meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
	322nd meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations

Thursday, 6 April 2017	323rd meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
	324th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
Friday, 7 April 2017	325th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
	326th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 8	Adoption of lists of issues concerning reports of parties to the Convention
Week 4			
Monday, 10 April 2017	327th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
	328th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 7	Consideration of reports submitted by parties to the Convention under article 35: adoption of concluding observations
Tuesday, 11 April 2017	329th meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 9	Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies, organizations of persons with disabilities and other competent bodies
	330th meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 14	Activities under the Optional Protocol to the Convention: communications
Wednesday, 12 April 2017	331st meeting 10 a.m. (closed)	Item 8	Adoption of lists of issues concerning reports of parties to the Convention
	332nd meeting 3 p.m. (closed)	Item 10	General comments
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	5 p.m. (public)		Closing